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SUBJECT: ESPIONAGE ARRESTS -- CONSULAR ACCESS

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1. IN SPITE OF DEPARTMENT'S INTENTION AND EFFORT TO REQUIRE SOVIET CONSULAR OFFICERS TO OBTAIN DEPARTMENT'S SPECIFIC PERMISSION BEFORE MEETING WITH CHERNYAYEV AND ENGER, TWO SOVIET OFFICERS WITHOUT SUCH PERMISSION WERE ADMITTED TO VISIT THEM MAY 22 AT THE METROPOLITAN CORRECTIONS CENTER, 150 PARK ROW, NEW YORK CITY. THE SOVIET VISITORS WERE ANTIPOV OF NEW YORK ADVANCE PARTY AND A SECOND BELIEVED TO BE BATAMIROV, ALSO OF ADVANCE PARTY. UN SECRETARIAT OFFICIALS HAVE ALSO VISITED CHERNYAYEV AND ENGER IN

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CORRECTIONS CENTER.

2. WE HAVE CONFERRED DIRECTLY WITH EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF CORRECTIONS CENTER, AND BEEN ADVISED THAT CENTER'S RULES PRECLUDE RESTRICTION OF CONSULAR ACCESS TO PRISONERS.

3. CORRECTIONS CENTER IS RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED FEDERAL

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FACILITY, NOT RPT NOT THE FORMER NEW YORK CITY DETENTION FACILITY KNOWN AS "THE TOMBS." CHERNYAYEV AND ENGER HAVE

INDIVIDUAL CELLS AND FOR THEIR SAFETY WE ARE ASKING THAT THEY NOT BE ALLOWED TO MINGLE WITH GENERAL PRISONER POPULATION.

4. MAY 23 DEPARTMENT PHONED SOVIET EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION, NOTED CONSULAR ACCESS HAD OCCURRED, AND ASKED WHEN IT WOULD RECEIVE DIPLOMATIC NOTE FORMALLY REQUESTING ACCESS. SOVIET CONSUL MALISHAUSKAS SAID HE WOULD CHECK ON THE STATUS OF THE MATTER AND INFORM DEPTOFF.

5. DEPARTMENT SUBSEQUENTLY RECEIVED A FORMAL SOVIET EMBASSY NOTE WHICH PROTESTS BUT DOES NOT RPT NOT MAKE THE REQUEST FOR CONSULAR ACCESS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO REMIND SOVIET EMBASSY THEY SHOULD SUBMIT NOTE RE ACCESS. VANCE

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